

AACRAC February 9, 2005 Meeting Minutes

Present: Steve Hanlin, Kent Heikens, Jeff Hoelsing, Loren Jones, Janae Lentz, Louisa Tabatabai, Mark Tomer, Amanda Toot, Eva Wojcik, Emilie Zehr

Absent: Timothy Anderson

1. Meeting called to order 1:10 PM.
2. Approval of January 10, 2004 Meeting Minutes.
3. Discussion and planning of upcoming observances.
 - African American History Month (S. Hanlin)
 - Posters were distributed for African American History Month
 - The video, The Murder of Emmett Till will be shown:
NSTL Room 326: Wednesday, Feb. 16, noon
NADC: To be determined. The date had been changed due to conflict with Tuesday noon Seminar.
 - The featured video is about a fourteen-year-old black boy who whistled at a white woman, in August 1955. Three days later, Emmett Till was brutally beaten and then shot by two white men. The video is ~60 minutes long.
 - Women's History Month (A. Toot)
 - The Women in Science posters have been ordered.
 - A video is being screened for presentation.
 - Asian Pacific Month (May- L. Jones)
 - A video is being screened. The video would be 5 hours long and need to be split up
4. Review of Past Observances
 - Martin Luther King Day (M. Tomer)
"I Have a Dream" speech Video
 - The showings at both locations went well and were well attended.
 - Jeff Hoelsing brought in pictures from the Meskwaki Code Talkers Award Ceremony. Jeff and Kent attended the ceremony.
 - A motion was approved for posters to be made on the event was passed.
 - They are looking into putting up posters and/or including the pictures on the Civil Rights Website.
 - Channel 8 had a nice presentation on the Code Talker Award Ceremony.
5. Minority Student Intern Program
 - Janae Lentz informed the committee more about the program
 - The program is called The George Washington Carver Program
 - The Scientists obligation is a \$2500.00 stipend.
 - The program is for 8 weeks and starts end of May/ beginning of June.

- The student will need to present the research that they took part in.
 - Other costs of the program are covered by ISU.
 - A motion to invite Nina Grant (ISU) to speak was approved.
 - Janae will speak with Nina Grant about arrangements.
 - An e-mail from the committee to the Director and campus units will be sent to request/arrange for the possibility of Nina Grant to speak.
 - Other programs such as Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) are also being looked into.
6. Website Update (Steve Hanlin)
 - An approval for being set up on the main USDA website is in the works.
 - All new videos in the library will contain an “*” noting that these videos have not been shown.
 - Meeting Minutes will be archived on the website.
 7. Notices:
 - Cultural diversity events on campus.
 - A representative from CICGRU is still needed.
 - Diversity posters for non-observance months are on order.
 8. Request of travel authorization for committee member(s) to attend civil rights training.
 - The committee will discuss at a future meeting.
 9. New business
 10. The AACRAC meeting for March 9, 2005 will be scheduled for 1:10 PM **rm 122 at NADC.**
 11. Meeting adjourned at 2:10 PM.

Minutes written by Eva Wojcik